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with sixte. **th**. men of armes.

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suspeccon of warre in Gelber-
lande upon the waterloche called
the Dale/ where a small copany of Boul-
dours otherwyle called Liden brought
tes were sene gathering together/ whose
nombre encreased daile more and more.
Which Bouldours becomen so bold
that they were for their great numbers
trying to take the towne of Andwerpe
treating the people here with cruell
dyours keeling and burning of houses
purpose so that no man durst

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Of the great

treason and spege of Andwerpe/ that was
in July last past by Marten of Kollen
which came forth of Gelderlande
with sixt. C. men of armes.

But now of late dayes/ arose some
suspeccon of warre in Gelder-
lande upon the waterside called
the Waile/ where a small cōpany of Schol-
dours otherwyle called Liden hough-
tes were sene gathering together/ whose
nombre encreased daily more and more.
Which Schouldours behaved themselves
in a waying for their great and many
traynges/ that they were lately
treated by people here with
dyous kindnesses/ and their
purpose so that no man

rather a rauenyng wolfe / came to And-
werpe / in the cheefe of Synglons mane /
other wyle called Pentecost / saye now
late / where as he bancketed / & tarped by
the space of.iiii. weekes or ther about with
his countre men the Gelders that dwelt in
Andwerpe / & marked / be web and clipped
well the Towne / & beheld the great abun-
dauce of all maner of ryches that was
then ouerflowynge in that Cytie / which
ryches farre surmounted all the ryches of
any Cytie in the world / by the iudgement
of such men that haue well traueled

¶ This Captayne afoze sayde founde in
this afozeford Towne certayne traitours
fyt for his purpose / which conspired
byn and consented at a day appointed
whiche shoulde haue ben the .xxvi. or .xxvii.
daye of July last past / to sette fyre in the
towne / as to burne the church with diuers

For all Realmes Christe shoulde have mar-
ted for us / if the towne had come into thep?
hades / besyde the great murder / I wold
a ben there. Therfore now acknowledge
and say all people: Great is our LORD &
great is his power & his knowlege is in-
finite. This also sayd Mayryn Rolles Ca-
pitaine With his hooll / beynge come be-
fore the towne at I day appoynted / which
shoulde have gyven assaulte when this tyme
shulde have ben capted in the towne /
which tyme his lordes / & traylours afore
sayd were appoynted / that they shoulde have
counterfacted keyes to open the gates of
the towne. Thus had they deuyllish with
many other chynge that shulde have ben
for the thep / unshappy purpose.

¶ And beinge wile of thep / myched coun-
sell and contracyon / others substantial
of the towne / that have office in the

ferred paynes of both according to the lath
of the Towne and countre / & in all sa-
ben of these Traytours / to the nombze of
one C. and moze that wolde haue set the
Towne on fyre / to the enteiⁿ p^r the enemyes
without the Towne myght haue had the
better thei^r purpose. But now to retorne
agayne where I left / This Mastyn after
he had concluded with the other traytours
of this towne departed from thence to the
host and augmented his company to the
nombze of sixt. H. and came ouer the wa-
ter and ryges of the Rase / appoaching to
warde the Towne of Andwerpe / which
being ones there knowe / great feare came
ouer all them that were thorn. And as
god wold / they perceyued one of the afore
said traytours to be haly about the gates
in the night. Whom suspecton the rulers
of the Towne did apprehende the same

of Orange the Count & Lon-
ge. with great provision made
Towns of Andover for the
therof. And in the way coming
Towns the Prince encount-
mies or he was made / and so
his men / & he had much to do
selfe vntaken / which prouide
two hundred horse men and
foote men and more / yet such
that fled thence afore into
the Prince was slaine / and
loberd backe / for if they had
happene the prince told woulde
all the haile shire through
had a hole in his harness be
his body was not hurt
And furthermore the tyll
remains thine / they sent
Andover into to have done

shall be dragles for near
is one of the company flaps
continually that they fre
ours within shuld have cap
in the Towne. But through
out that was prevented by
the sellers full of earth and
the stetes. And great ab
was kept in the stetes
so that no man might walke
or passe without examinatio
taken lepyngs over the
sponge in the watche and
by the women hauyng
and other punishments of
the more they goth or went
at nyght that the women
of the the they came the
women could be they make
at nyght. And in the morn

In the coniecture of the smoke. W
the Cytie perceyued / one Bud
taine & a Spayhard iſſued
him thre hundred men to haue
but when he was gone a
Captayne addeſſed him
backe againe into the
theſe abundance of
all the nyght longe / diſcom
mies / ſo that they durſt not
aſſaulte the Towne / the towne
ded to aſſaulte a Bulwark
¶ And in the thyrde morning
ted from Andwerpe burning
a ryche and a ſcitefull countie
eſſiſtinge them to this day
departinge they ſent to the
cange that he ſhuld raiſe

him / that they ſhould

of the

that there were at that tyme
a tyme of Antwerp above an
hundred of fightinge men. And
the Lady Regent had a grete
army with her. And the great
chambers had another grete
army other in the countie
and they made not with
their CC thousand
and more / as it is
reported
not set vpon them.

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